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POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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Special Services Fees and Classifications) Docket No. MC96-3

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
INTERROGATORIES TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS SUSAN W. NEEDHAM
(OCA/USPS-T7-5-6)
(June 27, 1996)

Pursuant to sections 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal Rate Commission, the Office of the Consumer Advocate hereby submits interrogatories and requests for production of documents. Instructions included with OCA Interrogatories 1-4 to the United States Postal Service dated June 19, 1996, are hereby incorporated by reference.

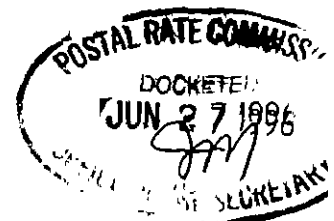
Respectfully submitted,



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OCA/USPS-T7-5. Refer to page 25, lines 1 - 3, of your testimony where it states: "The proposed \$18.00 semi-annual fee for non-residents would be applied in all offices, and would reflect the added value of service non-residential box customers receive."

- a. Please identify what, if any, costs of providing box service for non-residents are the basis of the proposed \$18.00 semi-annual non-resident fee.
- b. Please explain the considerations that caused you to choose an \$18.00 semi-annual, non-resident fee, rather than some other amount.
- c. In choosing the \$18.00 semi-annual, non-resident fee, did you reject higher or lower non-resident fees? If yes, please explain what considerations caused you to reject the higher or lower fees.
- d. What alternatives to imposing a semi-annual, non-resident fee did you consider to alleviate the problems caused by non-resident post office box holders? Please explain.

OCA/USPS-T7-6. Refer to page 24, lines 13 - 19, of your testimony concerning the applicability of the non-resident fee.

- a. Does the proposed non-resident fee apply to customers who seek post office box service at offices outside their 5-

digit ZIP Code delivery area because of circumstances within the control of the Postal Service, i.e., inconvenient hours of access to boxes, inadequate parking, etc.?

- b. Does the proposed non-resident fee apply to customers who seek post office box service at offices outside their 5-digit ZIP Code delivery area because of concern for safety related to the location their post office?

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 3.B(3) of the special rules of practice.



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